

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF GUAM**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

GOVERNMENT OF GUAM,

Defendant.

Civil Case No. 02-00022

**ORDER RE:
CLOSURE OF ORDOT DUMP
AND OPENING OF LAYON
LANDFILL**

1 In 2004, the United States and the Government of Guam (“Gov Guam”) entered into a
2 Consent Decree to address Gov Guam’s violations of the Clean Water Act. *See generally* Dkt. No.
3 55. Among other things, the Consent Decree required Gov Guam to close the Ordot Dump and open
4 a new municipal solid waste landfill. *See id.* at 5, 8.

5 In 2008, it was clear to the court that “there [was a] . . . lack of commitment by the island’s
6 leaders in addressing [the] solid waste crisis,” and thus, the court appointed Gershman, Brickner &
7 Bratton, Inc. as the Receiver of the Solid Waste Management Division (“SWMD”) of the Guam
8 Department of Public Works. Dkt. No. 239 at 1, 15. The court vested the power and authority to
9 enforce the terms of the Consent Decree in the Receiver. *See id.* at 16.

10 After less than four years since its appointment, the Receiver has reached two major
11 milestones under the Consent Decree—the closing of the Ordot Dump and the opening of the
12 Layon Landfill. To commemorate these two historic moments, the court will hold hearings at
13 the respective sites as follows:

- 14 (1) August 31, 2011 at 4:00 p.m: the ceremonial closing of the Ordot Dump, to
15 include the locking of the dump gates; and
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1 (2) September 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.: the ceremonial opening of the Layon Landfill,
2 to include the opening of the landfill gates.
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4 It is hereby ordered that the following people attend the hearings:

- 5 • The Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo, Governor of Guam, or his designee;
- 6 • The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Speaker, 31st Guam Legislature, or her
7 designee;
- 8 • The Honorable Leonardo M. Rapadas, Attorney General of Guam, or his
9 designee;
- 10 • The Honorable Alicia Limtiaco, United States Attorney, or her designee;
- 11 • Patrick Mason, Deputy Attorney General of Guam;
- 12 • Robert D. Mullaney, United States Department of Justice; and
- 13 • Ivan Quinata, Administrator, Guam Environmental Protection Agency.

14 **SO ORDERED.**



/s/ Frances M. Tydingco-Gatewood
Chief Judge
Dated: Aug 17, 2011